

In the Specification

Please replace paragraphs [0028] and [0033] with the following new paragraphs [0028] and [0033]:

**[0028]** The paste is fed into the cavity of the patient's tooth with either a pneumatic or a mechanical feeder. In the preferred embodiment, a paste feeder tube 24 is used to transport the paste from the paste cartridge 22 to a paste dispensing tip 15 is located adjacent to an anvil 32 which extends from the head 30. The paste feeder tube 24 may extend along, in, or be integral to, the handle 20. When the paste feeder tube 24 extends along the handle 20 and the head 30, grooves ~~41~~—(not shown) on the exterior of the handle are used to receive and secure the paste feeder tube 24 thereto. Clips (not shown) could be used in lieu of the grooves.

**[0033]** The head 30 has a housing 35 made of a corrosion-resistant material, such as nonmagnetic stainless steel, preferably 316 stainless steel, or a polymer such as Teflon®, nylon, or Vespel®. The housing 35, FIGURE 2, has a diameter of approximately 0.5 of an inch, and a height of approximately 0.75 of an inch although such dimensions are not a limitation to the

present invention. The housing 35 has an opening 42 for receiving the anvil 32 and a threaded hole ~~58~~59 for receiving a set screw 41. The set screw 41 is used to hold the anvil 32 in place during use and to release the anvil 32 during non-use. One of the ends of the set screw 41 almost contacts the anvil 32 between stops 58.

The anvil 32 is allowed to move vertically while the set screw 41 and the stops 58 limit the vertical movement. There are other devices for holding and releasing the anvil 32, such as a spring clip (not shown), which can be substituted for the set screw 41. The set screw 41 or spring clip allows efficient removal of the anvil 32 and other parts of the impactor 10 for cleaning and sterilization.